

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended): A multi-domain liquid crystal display device, comprising:

- first and second substrates;
- a liquid crystal layer between the first and second substrates;
- a plurality of data lines for applying a data signal on the first substrate;
- a plurality of gate lines for applying crossing the data lines to apply a gate signal, the gate lines crossing the data lines to define a plurality of pixel regions, wherein each pixel region has a multi-domain structure which includes a dielectric structure or a slit;
- a thin film transistor (TFT) near each crossing of the gate lines and the data lines;
- a pixel electrode connected to a drain electrode of the thin film transistor in each pixel region ~~electrodes for driving a liquid crystal of the liquid crystal layer;~~
- ~~switching devices near each crossing of the gate lines and the data lines; and~~
- an auxiliary electrode line electrically connected to at least one of the gate lines in each pixel region, the auxiliary electrode line and the pixel electrode controlling an orientation of liquid crystal molecules of the liquid crystal layer in each pixel region during an operation of the multi-domain liquid crystal display ~~auxiliary electrode lines formed in the same layer as the gate lines.~~

2-21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently Amended): The device according to claim 1, wherein ~~one of~~ the auxiliary electrode line ~~[[lines]]~~ is formed between the pixel electrode and the data line at an outside of the pixel electrode in the ~~[[a]]~~ pixel region.

23. (Previously Presented): The device according to claim 1, further comprising a common electrode on the second substrate.

24. (Previously Presented): The device according to claim 3, wherein the common electrode includes an opening area.

25. (Currently Amended): The device according to claim 1, wherein the ~~further comprising~~ an dielectric structure is on the second substrate.

26. (Previously Presented): The device according to claim 1, wherein the liquid crystal layer has a positive dielectric anisotropy.

27. (Previously Presented): The device according to claim 1, wherein the liquid crystal layer has a negative anisotropy.

28. (Previously Presented): The device according to claim 1, wherein the liquid crystal layer includes a chiral dopant.

29. (Previously Presented): The device according to claim 1, further comprising a phase-differential film on at least one of the first and second substrates.

30. (Previously Presented): The device according to claim 29, wherein the phase-differential film includes a negative uniaxial film.

31. (Previously Presented): The device according to claim 29, wherein the phase-differential film includes a negative biaxial film.

32. (New): The device according to claim 1, wherein the auxiliary electrode line is formed in the same layer as the gate lines.